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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, There is no official statewide data on the number of pupils in schools in this State who require health assistance for chronic and acute health conditions during the school day or at school-related activities, such as field trips and school-related camps; and

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WHEREAS, It is our intent to phase in funding, based on documented need, for credentialed school nurses and, by the year 2017, mandate a ratio of one credentialed school nurse for every 1,500 pupils for all public schools; and

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WHEREAS, As a result of this phased-in funding for credentialed school nurses, the following measurable results will be demonstrated:

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(1) fewer pupils will miss days of school due to illness;

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(2) parents and families will receive regular and documented information concerning preventive health care and communicable diseases; and

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(3) templates will be developed to enable school-site health centers to serve as neighborhood disaster centers; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

1 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
2 respectfully request that the State Board of Education study
3 and compile statewide data on school nurses and report its
4 findings and recommendations to the General Assembly, with the
5 goal of providing phased-in funding for credential school
6 nurses and, by the year 2017, mandating a ratio of one
7 credentialed school nurse for every 1,500 pupils for all public
8 schools; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 delivered to the State Board of Education.